10 /5 635 16 IAP15 Rec'd PCT/PTO 05 JAN 2006

By Express Mail # EV267605653US · January 5, 2006

Attorney Docket # 4100-378PUS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re National Phase PCT Application of

Hermann LINK et al.

International Appln. No.:

PCT/EP2003/007207

International Filing Date:

5 July 2003

For:

Axial Friction Bearing

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Title begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this paper and include one attached replacement sheet.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

Amendments to the Title:

Amend the title of the invention as follows:

AXIAL FRICTION THRUST BEARING